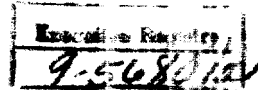


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Mr. William F. Tompkins  
Chairman, Interdepartmental Personnel  
Security Advisory Committee  
Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Tompkins:

This Agency has reviewed the Report of the Commission on Government Security and studied carefully the findings and recommendations of the Commission. By letter dated 22 July 1957, the President requested that appropriate written comments be forwarded to you.

It is our understanding of the Report that it was the intent of the Commission to exempt this Agency as well as the National Security Agency from the proposed Federal Civilian Loyalty Program in view of the unique functions and responsibilities placed on these two agencies. I concur in this recommendation of the Commission that this Agency be exempted from the Program. I believe that existing provisions of law in the National Security Act of 1947 provide this Agency with adequate authority to maintain an effective internal program of personnel security.

The comments of this Agency as to the proposed legislation incorporated in the Commission's Report will be processed directly to the Bureau of the Budget in the usual manner. If the Agency can be of any assistance or if there are any questions, will you please let us know.

Sincerely,

Signed

C. P. Labell  
Lieutenant General, USAF  
Acting Director

**CONCURRENCE:**

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**Deputy Director (Support)**

AUG 19 1957  
**Date**

/s/ John S. Warner  
**Acting General Counsel**

14 August 1957  
**Date**

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*Acting* /s/ [Redacted]  
**Director of Personnel**

14 August 1957  
**Date**

/s/ Sheffield Edwards  
**Director of Security**

14 August 1957  
**Date**

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